

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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JOSE GARCIA AQUINO,

Plaintiff,

ORDER

-against-

23-CV-3406 (LJL) (JW)

NILSON POLANCO,

Defendant.

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JENNIFER E. WILLIS, United States Magistrate Judge:

This matter has been referred for settlement. Dkt. No. 22. Should the parties wish to schedule a settlement conference, the Parties are directed to contact Courtroom Deputy Christopher Davis via email **by September 15th** at WillisNYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov to provide three mutually agreeable dates in October, November, or December. Any conference will be held in-person at Courtroom 228, 40 Foley Square, New York, New York. Should the Parties not wish to schedule a settlement conference at this time, they should inform the Court via email by the same deadline.

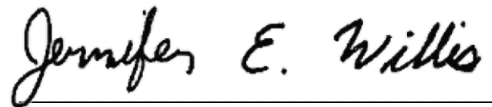
Parties must attend in-person with their counsel. Corporate parties must send the person with decision making authority to settle the matter to the conference. The parties are instructed to prepare pre-conference submissions in accordance with Judge Willis's [Standing Order for All Cases Referred for Settlement](#).

Should either Party wish to discuss a possible declaration of bankruptcy, a limited ability to pay an award, or lack of access to cash to fund a settlement, the Parties are strongly encouraged to discuss such issues with opposing counsel prior to

the settlement conference and to provide documents in their confidential *ex parte* letters that speak to their financial condition.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: New York, New York
September 6, 2023

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jennifer E. Willis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the signature is a horizontal line.

JENNIFER E. WILLIS
United States Magistrate Judge